

HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS AND HOMELAND SECURITY

308 House Office Building

Wednesday 12:00 P.M.

June 13, 2007

Representative Gino Polidori, Chair, called the meeting to order.

Representative Polidori requested attendance be called to establish a quorum of the appointed committee members:

Present: Representatives Polidori, Brown, Dean, Lemmons, Sheltroun, Emmons, Garfield, Pastor, Horn.

Absent: None.

Representative Brown moved to approve the minutes of the **June 6, 2007** meeting.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by **unanimous consent**.

The Chair laid HB 4745 before the committee.

HB 4745	Brown	Labor; other; leave time for immediate family member killed in active duty; provide for.
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Representative Brown, sponsor of HB 4745, explained his resolution to the committee. Questions and discussion followed.

Senator Barcia testified in **support of HB 4745** and introduced Mary Drier.

Mary Drier, representing herself, testified in **support of HB 4745** and spoke to the committee about the loss of her son. Ms. Drier also submitted written comments.

Robert D. Weiss, representing the Department of Michigan Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW), testified in **support of HB 4745**. Questions and discussion followed.

Steve Kozera, representing the Michigan Department of Military and Veterans Affairs (DMVA) as Legislative Liaison, testified in **support of HB 4745**.

Lynn Egbert, representing himself, spoke in **support of HB 4745**.

The following submitted testimony cards indicating a **neutral position on HB 4745** but did not wish to speak.

Michael L. Williams, representing the American Legion

Lino B. Pretto, representing the Military Order of The Purple Heart

Edward F. Jablonski, representing the Polish Legion of American Veterans

There being no further business to come before the committee, the **Chair** adjourned the meeting, the time being **12:40 p.m.**

Representative Gino Polidori Chair

Dave Mead
Committee Clerk
June 13, 2007
40 minutes

Date Approved and Signed